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Date: Mon, 1 Jan 2007 00:00:09 GMT
From: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: BOATANCHORS digest 3989
Message-Id: <20070101000010.B15E63183C6@srvr1.theporch.com>

BOATANCHORS Digest 3989

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by Bob Kemp <bkemp@bobkemp.com>
- 4) Speaker Wanted
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- 5) Re: Noise
by Robert Nickels <W9RAN@oneradio.net>
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by "Ed Sieb" <esieb@sympatico.ca>
- 7) Re: [Boatanchors] Re: NRI Professional Signal Tracer Model 34.
by Richard Post <postr@ohiou.edu>
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by "Joe Watson" <wwatson5@cox.net>
- 12) SKN
by "B. Smith" <smithab11@comcast.net>
- 13) Re: SKN (and 40 years on the air fo AJ1G ex AJ20 ex WB2ZPSex WN2ZPS!)
by Christopher Bowne <aj1g@sbcglobal.net>
- 14) Re: SKN
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- 15) Re: [Milsurplus] SKN
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- 16) Need R1200A Service Monitor Modules
by "Gary H. Harmon Jr." <gharmon@idworld.net>
- 17) Re: [Boatanchors] Re: NRI Professional Signal Tracer Model 34.
by "Ken Hickman" <n5cm@rtconline.com>
- 18) FLASH! K6KPH OTA for SKN

by Richard Dillman <ddillman@igc.org>

Message-ID: <4595CBB5.30709@tbc.net>
Date: Fri, 29 Dec 2006 20:15:17 -0600
From: Steve Berg <wa9jml@tbc.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re:Curtis EK-39 Keyer
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=ISO-8859-1; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

I bought a used Curtis EK-39 keyer for use with my Gonset GSB-100 and the National NCX-5. It is having some problems with inserting dits where I do not want them. Can anyone on the list point me to a schematic for this solid state relic?

73,

Steve WA9JML

Message-ID: <024e01c72bbf\$93af5e00\$660fa8c0@radiatoroom>
From: "Tom Rauch" <w8ji@contesting.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: Protecting an RF Stage.
Date: Fri, 29 Dec 2006 22:06:41 -0500
MIME-Version: 1.0
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> What do you recommend putting at the input of the
> loop amp to prevent a fried device? I know what
> I think, but I'd value your suggestions.

Unless the loop antenna is right next to the transmitting antenna or you are running ****HUGE**** power, I can't see why you would have a problem.

I've used small loops for years and years and never blown any amplifying devices including some very sensitive low voltage devices.

My vote is to do nothing unless it is really close to intense fields, and if it is....move it about 30 feet.

73 Tom

Message-ID: <4595E95F.4030207@bobkemp.com>
Date: Fri, 29 Dec 2006 22:21:51 -0600
From: Bob Kemp <bkemp@bobkemp.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Noise
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Thanks to all for the help so far on my noise issues: Good grief, I never knew how many household items generated noise.....take a AM radio tuned to 550 kc and start looking around your home!

Here's a partial list of what I've found so far:

1. Carbon Monoxide Detector
2. Computers(even just powered off & not unplugged!!!)
3. Flourescent lites
4. Side by Side refrigerator(lots of hash)
5. Cable Tv lead in (biggy)
6. Nintendo

Bob

Message-ID: <4595EADB.1060306@bobkemp.com>
Date: Fri, 29 Dec 2006 22:28:11 -0600
From: Bob Kemp <bkemp@bobkemp.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Speaker Wanted
Content-Type: text/plain; charset=us-ascii; format=flowed
Content-Transfer-Encoding: 7bit

Does anyone know a source for a stock 4 x6 speaker for a hallicrafters ps500 power supply. There's 3x5's available but can't find a 4x6?

Thanks to all in advance.

Bob

Message-ID: <4595EC86.1040004@oneradio.net>
Date: Fri, 29 Dec 2006 22:35:18 -0600
From: Robert Nickels <W9RAN@oneradio.net>
MIME-Version: 1.0
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

CC: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: Noise
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Bob Kemp wrote:

> 3. Flourescent lites

It's amazing how many switching power supplies that draw "standby power" are hiding inside consumer products these days.

And fluorescent lights can deliver a real surprise, as I found last week while visiting family over the holidays. My mom complained that her 4-tube kitchen fixture was causing interference - to her FM radio! I couldn't believe it, but she was right, nasty buzzing noise covering up weaker stations all the way to 107 mhz. Turns out the ballast had recently been replaced and the ground wire wasn't re-attached. I don't know what's inside the ballast but it's certainly capable of radiating garbage into the VHF range if the ground isn't connected!

73, Bob W9RAN

From: "Ed Sieb" <esieb@sympatico.ca>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Cc: "Old Tube Radios" <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: RE: Speaker Wanted
Date: Fri, 29 Dec 2006 23:39:44 -0500
Message-ID: <NIBBKNOPFNLAGHLELMPLIEIELDAA.esieb@sympatico.ca>
MIME-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain;
charset="US-ASCII"
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Standard stock at Radio Shack.

Ed, VA3ES

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Mime-Version: 1.0
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Date: Fri, 29 Dec 2006 23:54:42 -0500
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: Richard Post <postr@ohiou.edu>
Subject: Re: [Boatanchors] Re: NRI Professional Signal Tracer Model 34.
Cc: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>, n5cm@rtconline.com
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii" ; format="flowed"

Hi Ken,

The manual covering the 33 and the upgraded 34 (uses a pair of 6BA6 in place of 6SK7) is on BAMA.

Any green on the eye tube at all? If no magnetic pull on the speaker, check for B+ on both sides of field coil. If B+ on both sides and no low ohms short, check why no power draw (need a load to get magnetism). Is output transformer primary open? Is output tube getting voltage at plate and proper voltage at cathode resistor? (Dead tube shows voltage at plate but not cathode.)

I repaired a 33 before getting a manual copy. The unit is a dirt-simple dual TRF, detector and audio amp. Suggest replacing all the 0.01 and other wax caps, starting with the coupling cap to the 6K6 input grid. Cheap ceramic caps make good replacements.

Nice tool when repairs completed. NRI also made a Conar 230 kit much later. I believe the manual to the 33-34 shows 1947 as date. I'm guessing the 230 to be late 1950's. Its manual is also on BAMA and is an excellent guide to signal tracing.

Both the 33/34 and the 230 are fun to play with and use as test gear. Both are decent and sensitive TRF radios all by themselves. The 33/34 covers shortwave also and is in the best tradition of the Rider and Meissner signal tracers as TRF sets.

My 33 is pictured at

<<http://oak.cats.ohiou.edu/~postr/bapix/NRIpro33.htm>>

Best wishes es 73,
Rich KB8TAD

At 3:16 PM +0000 12/29/06, Ken Hickman wrote:

>

>The signal tracer is "dead" and I am having trouble finding the cause. The
>speaker is the "electro magnetic type" with the speaker magnetic force
>provided by the choke of the power supply.

>I am open to suggestions - if anyone has had experience with the unit and
>can give me tips, I will appreciate!
>Take care,
>
>Ken N5CM

Message-ID: <BAY110-DAV225F85ADE4F17BD754015A0C50@phx.gbl>
From: "JAMES HANLON" <knjhanlon@msn.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Re: Protecting an RF Stage.
Date: Fri, 29 Dec 2006 23:19:54 -0700
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Dave,

I'd suggest you build a "differential keyer." Using a couple mercury =
wetted relays which do not bounce or chatter, you could arrange your =
transmitter turn-on sequence to first disconnect the antenna from the =
loop amp and also to short the input of the loop amp, one single-pole =
double-throw relay would do that nicely. After that relay has operated, =
a second relay could key up your transmitter. The transmitter turn-off =
sequence would just reverse the process. The relays operate in well =
under a millisecond, so there is no time delay of any substance =
introduced even if you are operating CW at any reasonable speed. If you =
want a little more information on my differential keyer which could be =
used to accomplish that timing sequence, let me know. It's a simple =
R-C-transistor circuit.

Jim, W8KGI
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Subject: FS: misc. tubes
Date: Sat, 30 Dec 2006 15:41:43 -0500
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From: "Comarow, Avery" <ACOMAROW@usnews.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

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All of these look like NOS to my eye, but they are unboxed and the glass =
is a little dirty, so I'll call them pulls and ask for less than half =
the Radio Daze NOS price. If that's still high, make me an offer. =
Shipping is extra.

=20

(4) 3B28 \$14 each

(1) 813 \$20

(1) 416B/6280 (Dumont) \$15 (priced at Tube World)

(1) 2AP1 \$15

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Happy New Year!

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73,

=20

Avery W3AVE

Potomac, Md.

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Date: Sat, 30 Dec 2006 16:36:20 -0500
Message-ID: <5DB55C95EDBFFA4383CE672594D7E0D203A4D279@EXCHANGE.usn.root.ent>
From: "Comarow, Avery" <ACOMAROW@usnews.com>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

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I don't know why the original post got bounced--nothing in it but plain =
text--but I'll try again.

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From: "Joe Watson" <wwatson5@cox.net>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: Old Hallicrafters Paint
Date: Sat, 30 Dec 2006 20:16:57 -0600
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Is there a source for paint to match the Hallicrafters S-20R, SX-25 etc?

Joe
W5WBR
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From: "B. Smith" <smithab11@comcast.net>
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Subject: SKN
Date: Sun, 31 Dec 2006 08:16:31 -0500
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chirps. C U there.
73 breck k4che

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Message-ID: <20061231135501.3134.qmail@web81012.mail.mud.yahoo.com>

Date: Sun, 31 Dec 2006 05:55:01 -0800 (PST)
From: Christopher Bowne <aj1g@sbcglobal.net>
Subject: Re: SKN (and 40 years on the air fo AJ1G ex AJ20 ex WB2ZPSex WN2ZPS!)
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
Cc: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
MIME-Version: 1.0
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Will also try to get on, most likely in the wee hours of the new year around 0400 to 0700. Just got the DX-40 and HT-37/SX-111 perking this morning making phone QSOs down around 3726 kc, where 40 years ago this week I made my debut as WN2ZPS from West Nyack, NY. Planning on doing some operating on or around 3726 Kc (phone and CW) on the evening of Jan 4th to mark the occasion. =0A=0AGod's blessing to all on the list for a happy and HEALTHY new year! =0A=0A=0A73 de AJ1G=0AChris Bowne=0AStonington, CT

Message-Id: <5.0.0.25.2.20061231082241.018d8118@POP3.citlink.net>
Date: Sun, 31 Dec 2006 08:26:25 -0700
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: Paul Beckwith <beckrep@citlink.net>
Subject: Re: SKN
Mime-Version: 1.0
Content-Type: text/plain; charset="us-ascii"; format=flowed

Hope to work "youse" guys, as well. I'll be off-and-on around the 3540-3550kHz range, with the ART-13 / BC-348 set-up.

A Happy and Healthy New Year to all!!

73's de Paul K2LMQ Kingman, AZ.

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Date: Sun, 31 Dec 2006 16:47:58 -0500
To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>
From: w8au@sssnet.com
Subject: Re: [Milsurplus] SKN
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>decent klicks and chirps.

Breck and others:

If ya got the MIL BA's on tonite, be sure to stop by OMRN (Old
Military Radio Net) CW....3570 kHz at 9 p.m. EST. NCS W3PWW, Ted.

Me, I gotta take the old lady to a party! (sob) :-(See ya after midnight.

Perry w8au

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From: "Gary H. Harmon Jr." <gharmon@idworld.net>

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

Subject: Need R1200A Service Monitor Modules

Date: Sun, 31 Dec 2006 16:37:42 -0600

Message-ID: <001201c72d2c\$48caa700\$4001a8c0@yourtwa0macjq>

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I just bought a R1200A service monitor. It works and looks good but I'd
like to get a couple of additional modules, working or not.

4000A Deviation Meter

6381A Audio Synthesizer

6396A High Gain Broadband Mixer

4002A Multi-Mode Receiver

Are there any out there for sale or trade?

73, gary

=====//=====

Gary H. Harmon, Jr. - K5JWK
6003 Archwood
San Antonio, TX 78239-1504
210.657.1549 - Home
210.884.6926 - Cell

Message-ID: <003301c72cfb\$76f79920\$6b9c1f45@rtconline.com>

From: "Ken Hickman" <n5cm@rtconline.com>

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

Cc: <boatanchors@mailman.qth.net>,
<boatanchors@theporch.com>

Subject: Re: [Boatanchors] Re: NRI Professional Signal Tracer Model 34.

Date: Sun, 31 Dec 2006 16:48:11 -0000

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Hi Russ & Gang,

Well, after much tracing after I was able to download the manual from BAMA and

learning a lot about the instrument would you believe the problem was so simple

I couldn't see the forrest for the trees in the way! The probe was open! The previous owner had put a BNC chassis connector for the R.F. probe. The male cable connector had come loose from the inner conductor of probe cable. Now I have a rather loud hum. I haven't checked the two electrolytic yet, a 10 and a 30 mfd in a can.

My thanks to Walt, W2OKF, for giving me the address for the manual. I have connected with BAMA but never able to get past the "search". When I entered the name of the unit, I always got "not found". Walt gave me the individual address of that particular manual and it worked. I downloaded the manual OK. My thanks to all who responded to my call for help!

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL!

Take care,

Ken N5CM

----- Original Message -----

From: <wb3fau@att.net>

To: <n5cm@rtconline.com>

Sent: Sunday, December 31, 2006 9:45 PM

Subject: Re: [Boatanchors] Re: NRI Professional Signal Tracer Model 34.

> Ken, i work on a lot of this old stuff, with field windings for the
speaker. [electro-
> dynamic, if I can spell it!] You did not mention what you checked. Do
the common stuff,
> like check for B+ voltage on both sides of the field winding to
ground. Or measure
> resistance of the winding- should be several hundred ohms or more. Not
uncommon to find
> this open. Let us know what you have checked- Russ.
>

Message-ID: <14728361.1167609101961.JavaMail.root@mswamui-
backed.atl.sa.earthlink.net>

Date: Sun, 31 Dec 2006 23:51:41 +0000 (GMT+00:00)

From: Richard Dillman <ddillman@igc.org>

To: Old Tube Radios <boatanchors@theporch.com>

Subject: FLASH! K6KPH OTA for SKN

Mime-Version: 1.0

Content-Type: text/plain; charset=UTF-8

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Due to a last minute change of plan K6KPH will be on the air for Straight Key
Night.

Operation will begin at 0000Z and continue for at least a couple of hours.

K6KPH will guard 3550kc, 7050kc and possibly 14050kc.

Listen also for K6YVM aboard the SS Red Oak Victory/KYVM using the original WWII
Mackay radio console. K6YVM (or possibly NY6CI) has crystals for 3539kc, 3545kc,
7040kc, 7050kc and 14039kc.

Happy New Year, happy SKN. May the music of Morse live forever.

VY 73 ES GL,

RD

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Richard Dillman, W6AWO
Maritime Radio Historical Society
<http://www.radiomarine.org>
Collector of Harleys, Willys and
Radios over 100lbs.
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